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FOLLOWING REPEAT SAN JOSE 1250 ACTION SECSTATE, INFO BOGOTA  
BRASILIA, CARACAS, GUATEMALA, GUAYAQUIL, MANAGUA, MEXICO,  
PANAMA QUITO, RIO DE JANEIRO, SAN SALVADOR, TEGUCIGALPA  
1 APRIL 1974. QUOTE:

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TAGS: ETRG, EAGR, CS

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF PRESIDENT FIGUERES TO DISCUSS BANANAS  
AND COFFEE

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS PRESIDENT FIGUERES WILL VISIT  
VARIOUS CAPITALS IN SOUTHAMERICA DURING THE WEEK OF APRIL 1 IN  
ORDER TO DISCUSS HIS PLANS FOR RAISING PRICES OF COFFEE AND  
BANANAS BY MEANS OF PRODUCER AGREEMENTS. THE PRESIDENT'S  
ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. MONDAY, APRIL 1, DEPART SAN JOSE AT 1905 FOR PANAMA

B. TUESDAY, APRIL 2, QUITO

C. TUESDAY, APRIL 2, AND WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, BOGOTA

D. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, CARACAS

E. THURSDAY, APRIL 4, AND FRIDAY, APRIL 5, BRASILIA

F. FRIDAY, APRIL 5, AND SATURDAY, APRIL 6, RIO DE JANEIRO

G. SUNDAY, APRIL 7, RETURN TO SAN JOSE

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2. PRESIDENT FIGUERES WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE BATALLA; MINISTER OF ECONOMY, INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE, KOGAN; VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS CHARPENTIER; THE AMBASSADORS OF BRASIL AND COLOMBIA; AND PRESIDENTIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF MEXICO, VENEZUELA AND SALVADOR AND ECUADOR.

3. LA REPUBLICA OF MARCH 29 REPORTED THAT IN BRASILIA FIGUERES WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT GIESEL AND EXPERTS FROM SALVADOR, MEXICO, ECUADOR, AND VENEZUELA IN ORDER TO "COORDINATE THEIR RESPECTIVE COFFEE POLICIES". LA REPUBLICA DESCRIBED THE VISIT AS PART OF "A CAMPAIGN OF INTERESTED CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO COMPENSATE THEMSELVES FOR THE HIGH COST OF PETROLEUM THAT HAS CREATED A DISEQUILIBRIUM IN THEIR ECONOMIES".

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